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## Memorandum

TO: City Council

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COPIES TO: City Clerk, City Attorney

SUBJECT: Council Interests

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I hope you enjoyed your week. In today's memo you will find information on several items of interest from the previous Council meeting.

**Ocean View Event Permit:** Rockefeller in Ocean View event at Ocean View Beach Park is permitted by the city's Special Events office. Ocean View Beach Park's daily rate is \$500.00 plus the \$25 permit application fee. The rental fee off-sets the city's cost associated with site preparations, maintenance and staff support. The Ocean View Civic League recently submitted an application for a grant from the Department of Neighborhood Development to offset expenses for the event. The Civic League was awarded what it requested: \$500.00. The balance due is \$25.00.

**Mason Creek Floodgate:** The manual gate is on Norfolk Naval base and the Navy Public Works office controls the operations of this gate. The City of Norfolk contacts the Navy Public Works office to coordinate closure and opening of the gate prior to and after an event. The gate was closed prior to the first event and remained closed until after the high tides went back to normal after the second event. The action minimized potential flooding impacts to the residents.

**City Cleanup:** Public Works crews cleaned outfalls prior to the recent storm events. The construction barrel covering the drainage structure on Granby Street has been removed. A new top for the drainage structure was replaced last week.

**HRT Bus Stop:** Staff has contacted HRT regarding the stop on W. Little Creek near Newport Avenue. We have requested their course of action per your request and will follow-up once it's received.

**West Ocean View Ave. & Bay Ave. Traffic Control:** In an effort to lower traffic speeds, the city has reduced lanes, provided wide parking spots and marked bike lanes on the section of roadway west of Tidewater Drive to the interstate. This roadway also traverses through a neighborhood and acts as an east/west connector from Tidewater to Granby and on to the Norfolk Naval Base. Staff is reviewing a location for driver feedback signs and we will conduct a speed study to identify hot spots.

**Neighborhood Traffic Concerns:** Azalea Acres Civic League has invited staff to attend their January meeting. Staff plans to discuss traffic calming measures such as speed humps and other measures. Staff is in the process of scheduling a visit with Idlewood/Sandy Heights Civic League.

**100 Resilient City Strategy Launch:** Norfolk becomes the 3<sup>rd</sup> city in the world to launch its Resilient City Strategy on Wednesday, October 28<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 a.m. The event will take place at the Slover Library in the 6<sup>th</sup> floor Community Room.

Have a good weekend.